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SUBJECT: PROCUREMENT OF EMERGENCY GENERATOR

PRETORIA FOR RSO; NAIROBI FOR RCO

REF: STATE 283199

1. WE AGREE WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S SUGGESTION THAT A DIESEL GENERATOR BE PURCHASED IN LIEU OF A GASOLINE POWERED UNIT. OUR PROBLEM, HOWEVER, IS THAT AN ELEVEN KILOWATT UNIT IS TOO SMALL TO HANDLE THE EMERGENCY LIGHTS, RADIO AND HOUSE LIGHTING SYSTEM; SURFACE SHIPPING WILL TAKE UP TO 6-8 MONTHS; AND WE ARE IN URGENT NEED OF A UNIT, AS THE SECURITY SITUATION REMAINS VERY BAD.

WE CAN PROCURE AND INSTALL A 16 KW DIESEL GENERATOR LOCALLY FOR \$7,400, A PRICE COMPARABLE TO THE U.S. UNIT WHEN SHIPPING COSTS OF FIFTY PERCENT ARE INCLUDED.

2. WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT THE DEPARTMENT GIVE US PERMISSION TO PURCHASE THE DIESEL UNIT LOCALLY AND INCREASE THE OBLIGATION FOR THE PURPOSE TO \$7,400.00.

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